

Key landscape areas

Temporary Accommodation Get-in



Proposed removal works

Provision of temporary accommodation and temporary get-in will be required during the construction stage of the new building.

The strategy for forming a temporary get-in is to utilise the existing grasscrete surfacing to the southwest of the Hexagon theatre building (currently used for fire tender vehicles and maintenance access).

The existing kerb line does not feature a dropped kerb for vehicle access. Local lowering of the kerb has been proposed to allow access for a single articulated lorry. Feasibility of this will be further explored in the next stage as a number of existing below-ground services could be affected.

A new access ramp and door will be installed to allow for direct access from the Lorry parking zone to the stage and back stage areas.

Some minor pruning back of the existing tree T2 will be needed to accommodate the height of larger vehicles. Refer also to the 'Arboricultural Impact Assessment'.

- ① Existing kerb lowered to allow for large vehicle access
- ② Existing grasscrete area utilised to act as temporary get-in
- ③ Temporary get-in door and access ramp to mitigate between existing internal and external levels

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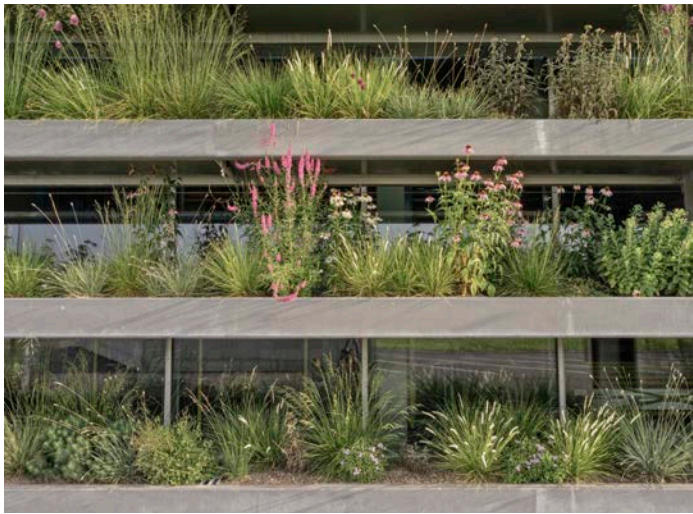
Podium Level - Studio Theatre Entrance

The landscape proposals at the podium level entrance area to the new theatre building are aimed at creating a more welcoming external space for theatre visitor arrival and spill out at performance intervals.

Contemporary metal decking will form a civic and light weight decking to the new bridge.

Linear planters will follow the edge of the bridge form the existing podium to the proposed new building, with a widened feature planting section at the new building's edge.

The planters will be fitted with water reservoir tanks to reduce excessive water consumptions and maintenance commitments. As much as possible these reservoirs will be topped up using rain water from the proposed building's main roofs. Taps will be fitted to top up reservoirs during dry spells.



Prairie-style grasses and flowers will accompany the edges of the bridge from existing podium to proposed building.



Light weight and slip-proof metal decking



Podium level new building entrance plan

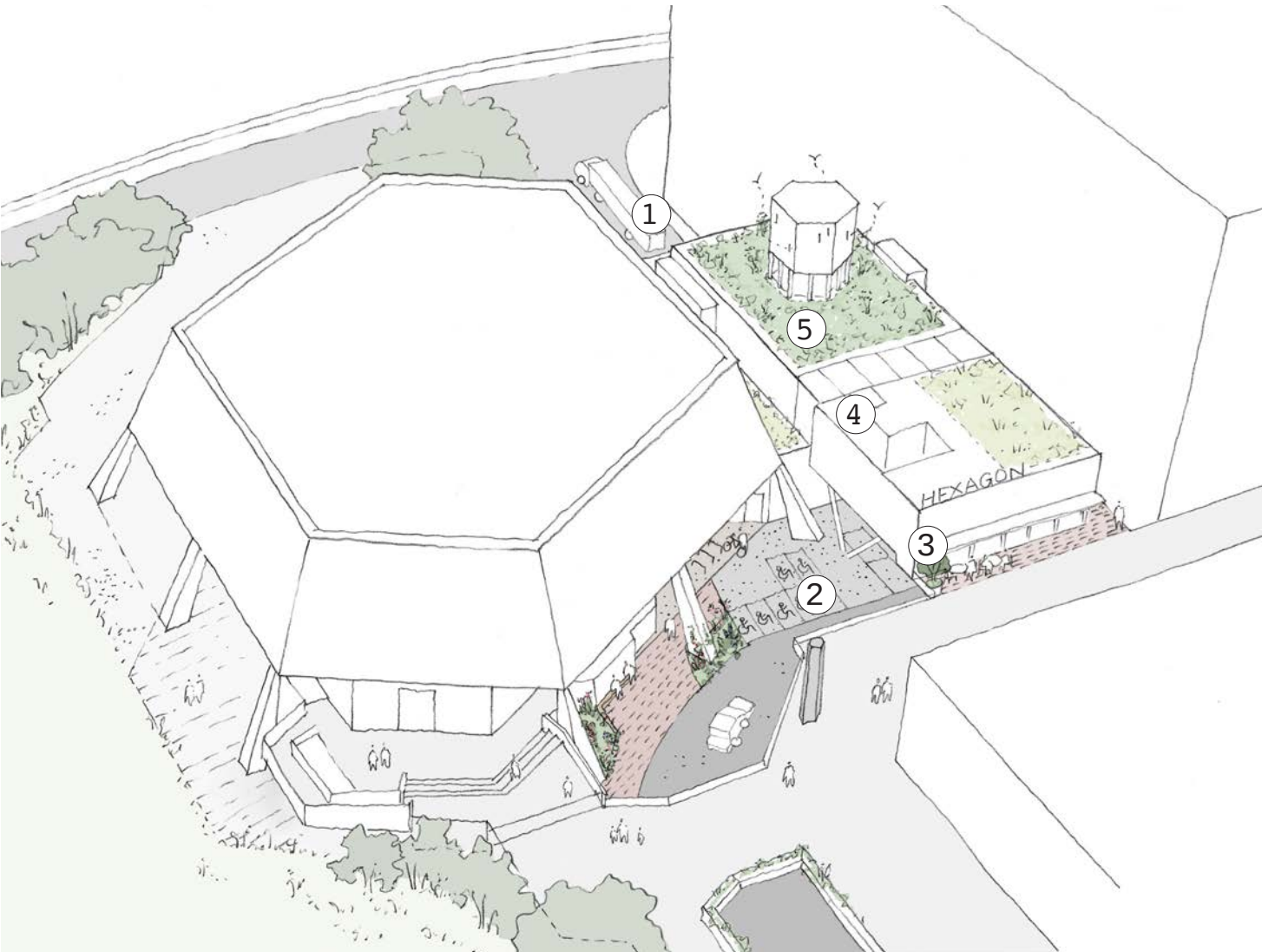
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Distinctive light weight decking to the entrance of the new Hexagon Studio Theatre
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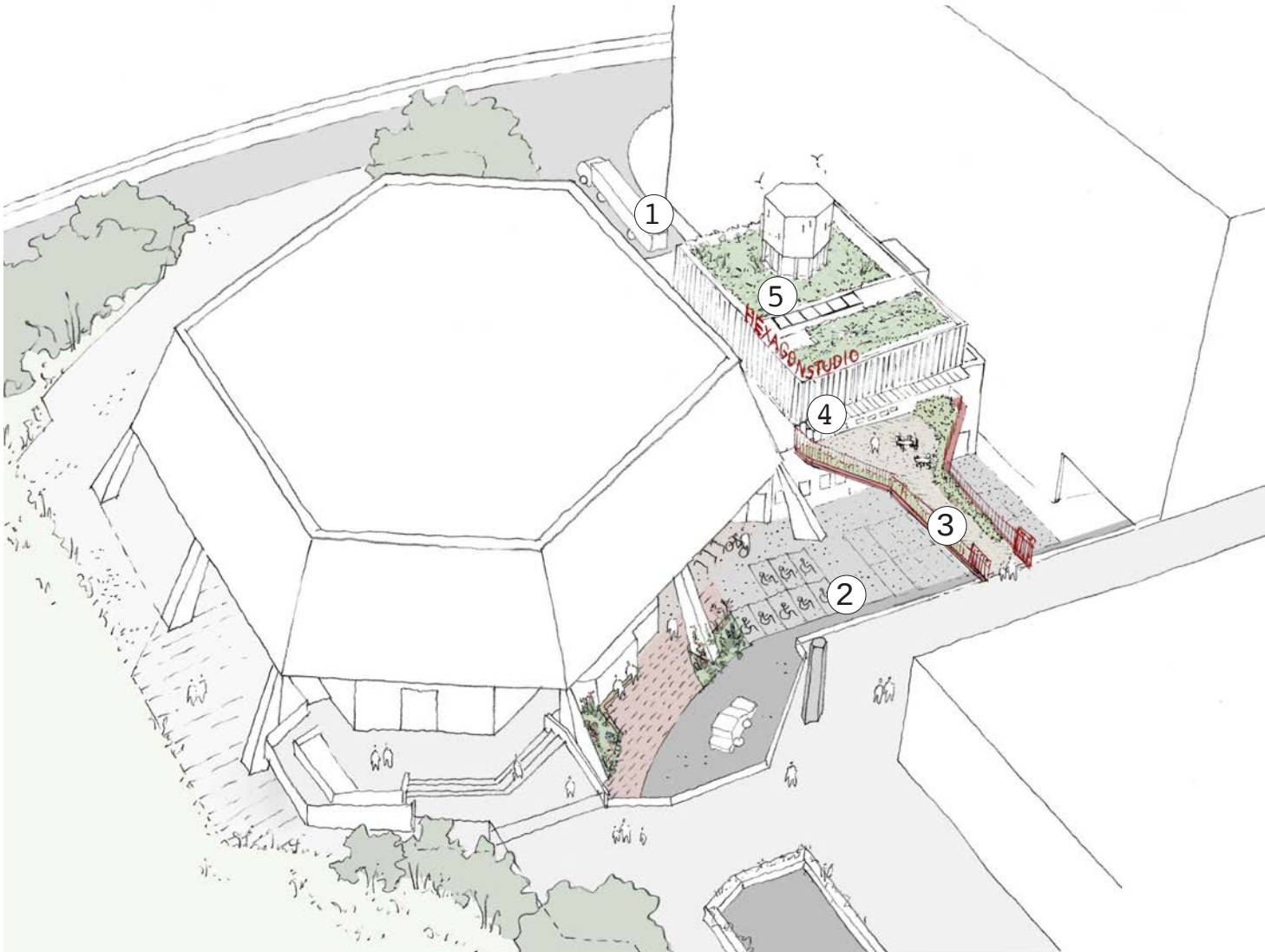
Linear “Prairie-style” planting along the bridge edges.
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Extended planter at the end of the linear planter with additional “Prairie-style” planting.

Design Changes since last
planning application



Previuos planning application January 2024



Current planning application October 2024

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Minor adjustment to Loading bay geometry
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Increase of staff parking spaces from 12 to 14 due to reduction and adjusted location of bridge columns.
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Bridge geometry results in changed arrangement of planting on the bridge. Light weight decking introduced to reduce weight.
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All upper floor levels including their terraces and planting have been omitted
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Reduced building size results in green roof. Omission of PV panels means that entire green roof can now be biodiverse planting mix.